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David Waddell, Executive Secretary
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Re: *All Telephone Companies Tariff Filings Regarding Reclassification Of
Pay Telephone Service As Required By Federal Communications
Commission (FCC) Docket 96-439
Docket No. 97-00409*

Dear Mr. Waddell:

On Friday, February 16, 2001, the Tennessee Payphone Operators Association ("TPOA") filed a Petition for Clarification and Reconsideration. In its Petition, TPOA seeks to interject new issues not even addressed in its pleadings or briefs. BellSouth wishes to be heard on all the issues raised in the Petition and intends to file a written response to the Petition. BellSouth objects to any attempt by TPOA to have the matter heard during the Authority's previously scheduled Conference on Wednesday, February 21. BellSouth proposes to file its response by February 27 and has no objection to the Authority considering the matter during its March 6 Conference. This would allow the Authority to dispose of the Petition within 30 days, consistent with T.C.A. 65-2-118.

A copy of this letter has been provided to counsel for TPOA. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

Guy M. Hicks

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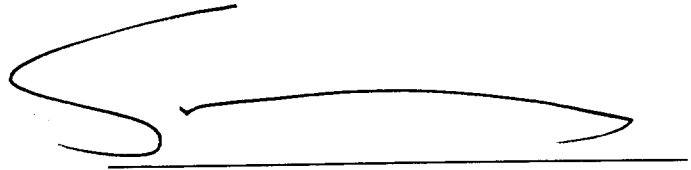
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